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Turkeys raised in 1972 are expected to total 128.4 million birds, 7 percent above 1971, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Minnesota, the leading State in 1972, expects to raise 20.7 million birds compared with 18.4 million a year ago, an increase of 12 percent. California expects to raise 4 percent more turkeys while North Carolina expects to raise 22 percent more than last year.

Heavy breed turkeys raised in 1972 are expected to total 113.8 million compared with 106.6 million in 1971, an increase of 7 percent. Light breed turkeys raised during 1972 are estimated at 14.6 million, a 9 percent increase from the 13.4 million produced a year earlier.

Turkey poults hatched during the period September 1971 through July 1972 are 8 percent above the corresponding period a year ago. Compared with the previous period, increases occurred in all months except December 1971 and January 1972. Turkey eggs in incubators August 1, 1972 were up 21 percent from last year.

TURKEYS: NUMBER RAISED ON FARMS

State	Heavy Breeds			Light Breeds			Total All Breeds		
	1971	1972	1972 as % of 1971	1971	1972	1972 as % of 1971	1971	1972	1972 as % of 1971
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Maine	4	3	75	1	1	100	5	4	80
N. H.	21	36	171	3	1	33	24	37	154
Vt.	12	5	42	1	0		13	5	38
Mass.	173	131	76	19	19	100	192	150	78
R. I.	14	12	86	0	1		14	13	93
Conn.	75	75	100	5	5	100	80	80	100
N. Y.	227	154	68	37	28	76	264	182	69
N. J.	96	115	120	9	9	100	105	124	118
Pa.	2,296	2,480	108	459	399	87	2,755	2,879	105
Ohio	3,750	3,240	86	675	610	90	4,425	3,850	87
Ind.	4,050	5,960	147	700	430	61	4,750	6,390	135
Ill.	784	574	73	0	7		784	581	74
Mich.	1,001	1,124	112	0	41		1,001	1,165	116
Wis.	3,442	4,084	119	56	0		3,498	4,084	117
Minn.	13,040	14,470	111	5,380	6,190	115	18,420	20,660	112
Iowa	6,318	6,508	103	48	80	167	6,366	6,588	103
Mo. 1/							8,683	10,000	115
N. Dak.	1,060	1,000	94	140	150	107	1,200	1,150	96
S. Dak.	571	668	117	576	611	106	1,147	1,279	112
Nebr.	786	933	119	25	0		811	933	115
Kans.	299	126	42	8	0		307	126	41
Del.	21	72	343	4	2	50	25	74	296
Md.	32	36	113	2	4	200	34	40	118
Va.	3,775	3,775	100	1,305	1,514	116	5,080	5,289	104
W. Va.	395	279	71	750	1,053	140	1,145	1,332	116
N. C.	8,918	10,725	120	1,250	1,650	132	10,168	12,375	122
S. C.	2,174	2,042	94	0	132		2,174	2,174	100
Ga.	2,237	1,796	80	1	12	1,200	2,238	1,808	81
Ky.	30	15	50	0	7		30	22	73
Tenn.	10	10	100	0	0		10	10	100
Ala.	13	13	100	10	13	130	23	26	113
Miss.	26	34	130	1	1	100	27	35	130
Ark. 1/							7,840	8,065	103
La.	2	2	100	0	0		2	2	100
Okl. 1/							1,770	1,795	101
Texas	8,190	7,944	97	188	71	38	8,378	8,015	96
Colo.	2,814	3,339	119	7	16	229	2,821	3,355	119
Utah	3,828	3,905	102	0	0		3,828	3,905	102
Nev.									
Wash.	446	418	94	147	22	15	593	440	74
Oreg. 1/							1,940	1,782	92
Calif.	16,281	17,226	106	520	257	49	16,801	17,483	104
Other States 2/	111	40	36	84	13	15	195	53	27
U. S.	106,594	113,799	107	13,372	14,561	109	119,966	128,360	107

1/ Breakdown by breeds not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ Includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, and Florida. Estimates are combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.